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Dear Sir:

The documents listed on the enclosed Form FB-A820 have come to the attention of the Applicant and are submitted to the Patent Office under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97. A copy of each of the listed documents is enclosed. This application is a continuation application claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 from U.S. Application Serial No. 08/793,956 filed March 12, 1997 (now U.S. Patent No. 5,921,238), which was filed from International Application No. PCT/FR95/01158; filed September 11, 1995. Pursuant to MPEP § 609 (page 600-99 Rev. 1, Feb. 2000), the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider in this application the information which was considered by the Office in the parent application Ser. No. 08/793,956. In addition,

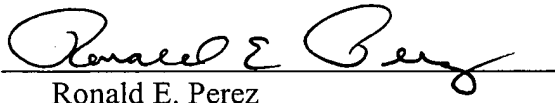
the Examiner's attention is directed to co-pending application by inventor Guy Bourdon, namely U.S. Ser. No. 08/839,459, filed April 14, 1997, now allowed, for which a continuation application is contemplated.

Applicant also submits herewith a corresponding European Publication for the present application (EP 0 782 462 B1), the search report dated May 19, 1995 for the corresponding French priority application (FR 94 10839), the International Search Report for the International Application PCT/FR95/01158, the Preliminary Examination Report for the International Application, and the Written Opinion of the International Examination Authority (EPO) for the International Application. Also enclosed is a Notification dated April 13, 2000 of an Opposition to the European Application corresponding to the present U.S. application (EPO 95/930 525.7/08782462). Also enclosed are the references D1-D6 cited in the Notification of Opposition. The relevance of those references, including those with foreign language text, are indicated in the Notification of Opposition and the document attached thereto supplied by the opposing party.

Applicant believes this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action and therefore no fee is due. However, if a fee is in fact due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2425. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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